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Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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For:
MAGNETIC DISC APPARATUS AND ITS FABRICATING METHOD

Enclosed are:



2 Sheets of Drawings



This application is being filed without an executed Declaration.



Priority is claimed from Japanese Application No. 2001-311011
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Copies of the disclosure documents listed on the attached PTO 1449 form and
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Specification: Abstract ☒ Description 18 pages; and 7 claim(s).



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